SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 566

In Memory of Albina Schmitz

WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the passing of Albina Ann Mages Schmitz of Gainesville on May 7, 2023, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, The former Albina Mages was born to Joe and Theresa Bayer Mages on February 15, 1934, in Muenster, and she grew up with the companionship of six siblings, Clara, Henrietta, Loreta, Norb, Louise, and Polly, and a half-brother, Edgar; she graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic High School in 1952, and she went on to become a licensed cosmetologist and to work as a hairdresser; and

WHEREAS, On May 30, 1955, she was joined in matrimony to John H. Schmitz, with whom she shared a rewarding union that spanned nearly five decades; she took great pride in her five children, Joe, MaQuita, John, Steve, and the late Carmen Crowsey, and with the passing years, she had the pleasure of seeing her family grow to include seven grandchildren, Brandi, Tiffany, Shelby, Suzanne, Kenadie, Victoria, and Nicholas, and five great-grandchildren, Colton, Camryn, Lucy, Henry, and Sally; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Schmitz and her husband owned and operated Johnny's B-29 Club and Johnny's DX gas station for many years, and after the businesses were sold, she worked in a variety of jobs until her retirement; in her leisure hours, she enjoyed baking, making afghan blankets, and traveling, and she gave generously of her time and talents as a volunteer foster grandparent; a woman

of strong faith, she was an active and longtime parishioner of St. Mary Catholic Church in Gainesville, where she sang in the choir, served as a member of the altar society, and coordinated communion for nursing home residents and homebound individuals; and

WHEREAS, Although she will be deeply missed, Albina Schmitz has left her family and friends with many cherished memories, and they will forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Albina Ann Mages Schmitz and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Albina Schmitz.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 12, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate